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1. 16 August 1949

The fighter units stationed at the PERLEBERG (A 54/T 70) air-
field made flights in formations of twelve and sixteen air-
craft.

2. 17 to 19 August 1949

There was little flying at the field.

3. 20 August 1949

Eighteen fighters with radial engines and angular wings took
off and, flying in formation, headed east. Since these
aircraft did not return to the airfield until evening they
were probably transferred. A train of 50 boxcars and 20 flat-
cars standing at the PERLEBERG railroad station was being loa-
ded with Soviet officers, dependents and EM of an air force
unit stationed at the PERLEBERG airfield and with special
motor vehicles and boxes.

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4. 21 and 22 August 1949

Despite fair weather there was no flying on 21 August 1949.
Several eastbound fighters with radial engine and rounded-off
wing tips took off individually in the afternoon of 22 August
1949. The planes did not return.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~5. 23 and 24 August 1949

There was no flying on 23 August 1949, although the weather was good. Individual eastbound fighters with radial engines and angular wings took off on 24 August 1949. They did not return.

6. 25 August 1949

Fighters of both types made heavy flights, particularly in the morning. All observed aircraft had a streamlined "rod" at the right wing.

7. 26 August 1949

There was no flying at the field.

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Comment: The report on the PERLEBERG airfield covering the first half of August 1949 has been lost, but it was requested to be submitted again. It contained a description of the above mentioned streamlined device.

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a. Two fighter regiments equipped with La-9s have so far been assumed to be stationed at the PERLEBERG airfield. From this report it must be inferred that some fighters have been transferred since 20 August 1949. This assumption is considered credible since source "Money-Bart" confirmed the transfer of units from the PERLEBERG airfield. The same fighter units were reported on 17 September 1949, to be stationed in PERLEBERG and NEUBRANDENBURG. It has not been clarified whether the units were permanently transferred or whether they were temporarily transferred in connection with the maneuvers of the Sixteenth Air Army.

b. The evacuation of Soviet dependents was also observed in JUTTERBOG and GROSSHEIM.

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